#### Amazon.com 2015 Political Contribution and Expenditure Policy and Statement

The Company's policy is to participate in the policymaking process by informing public officials about our positions on issues significant to our customers and our business. Existing and proposed laws, legislation, regulations, and policy initiatives, including but not limited to those concerning Internet commerce, sales tax, intellectual property rights, trade, data privacy, and web services, may impact the Company and its business. Accordingly, the Company believes that it is important to engage in constructive and responsible participation in the political process from time to time. The goal of the Company's contributions and expenditures is to promote the interests of the Company, and the Company makes such decisions in accordance with the processes described in this political contribution and expenditure policy and statement, without regard to the private political preferences of the Company's directors or officers.

#### **Approval Process**

The Company's Vice President of Global Public Policy reviews and approves each political contribution and expenditure made with Company funds or resources to, or in support of, any political candidate, political campaign, political party, political committee, or public official in any country, or to any other organization for use in making political expenditures, to ensure that it is lawful and consistent with the Company's business objectives and public policy priorities. The Company's Senior Vice President for Corporate Affairs and the Senior Vice President and General Counsel review all political expenditures. In addition, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors annually reviews this political contribution and expenditure policy and statement and a report on all of the Company's political contributions and expenditures, including any contributions made to trade associations or 501(c)(4) organizations.

### **2015 Political Expenditures**

In 2015, the Company complied with all applicable regulations requiring public disclosure of corporate political activity. In 2015, the Company did not make contributions to political parties or 527 organizations, or in support or opposition of any political campaigns, and did not make any federal or state independent expenditures. In 2015, the Company made contributions to state and local political candidates, a committee, and to a ballot initiative in the amounts disclosed in <u>Annex A</u> to this political contribution and expenditure policy and statement.

In 2015, the Company spent approximately \$9.1 million on federal lobbying activities, which are reported to the House and Senate: <a href="http://www.senate.gov/legislative/Public Disclosure/LDA reports.htm">http://www.senate.gov/legislative/Public Disclosure/LDA reports.htm</a>.

In 2015, our spending related to the Company's government relations efforts in all states (non-federal) was approximately \$2.4 million. This amount relates to efforts in Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin. Specific amounts spent per state are generally disclosed on applicable state websites, such as those maintained by secretaries of state, state ethics and public disclosure commissions, state legislatures, and similar websites.

The Company contributes to certain trade associations, coalitions, and 501(c)(4) social welfare organizations, many of which engage in efforts to inform policymakers on issues important to their

members. The total amount paid by the Company to US-based trade associations, coalitions, and social welfare organizations was approximately \$2.1 million in 2015. All such payments of \$10,000 or more made through the Company's Public Policy Office in 2015 are disclosed in Annex A to this political contribution and expenditure policy and statement. The Company may not agree with all the positions of each organization, its leaders, or its other supporters, but believes that the Company's support will help advance policy objectives aligned with our interests.

The Company has formed a political action committee (PAC) funded solely by voluntary contributions from some of the Company's employees and shareholders (and their spouses). The PAC's activities are subject to federal regulation, including detailed public disclosure requirements. The PAC files regular public reports with the Federal Election Commission (FEC), and political contributions to and by the PAC are required to be disclosed. These reports are publicly available on the FEC website at: <a href="http://www.fec.gov/disclosure.shtml">http://www.fec.gov/disclosure.shtml</a>.

#### **ANNEX A**

## Company contributions to state and local candidates, political parties, committees, or ballot initiatives:

- Ballot Initiatives
  - o Let's Move Seattle \$25,000
- Contributions State and Local Candidates, and Committees
  - California
    - Anthony Cannella \$2,100
    - Susan Eggman \$1,850
    - Cathleen Galgiani \$2,100
    - Adam Gray \$1,850
    - Jose Medina \$1,850
    - Mike Morrell \$2,100
    - Richard Roth \$2,100
    - Mark Steinorth \$1,850
  - City of Seattle
    - Pamela Banks \$700
    - Tim Burgess \$700
    - Lorena Gonzalez \$700
    - Bruce Harrell \$700
    - Rob Johnson \$700
    - Debora Juarez \$700
    - Seattle Chamber "Civic Alliance for a Sound Economy" PAC \$25,000
  - Washington
    - John Braun \$900
    - Bob Ferguson \$1,500
    - Jim Hargrove \$900
    - Mark Harmsworth \$500
    - Andy Hill \$900
    - Jay Inslee \$1,420.44
    - Curtis King \$900
    - Steve Litzow \$900
    - Chad Magendanz \$500
    - Jeff Morris \$900
    - Sharon Nelson \$900
    - Steve O'Ban \$900
    - Derek Sanford \$500
    - Mark Schoesler \$900
    - Drew Stokesbary \$900
    - Dean Takko \$900
    - Gael Tarleton \$900
    - Brady Walkinshaw \$900

# Payments of \$10,000 or more made through the Company's Public Policy Office to US-based trade associations, coalitions, and social welfare organizations:

- Arizona Chamber
- Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI)
- CalChamber
- California Manufacturers and Technology Association
- California Taxpayers Association
- Center for Democracy and Technology
- Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce
- Coalition for Digital Tax Fairness
- Compete America
- Computer & Communications Industry Association
- Congressional Black Foundation, Inc.
- Council on State Taxation
- CTIA
- Cyber, Space & Intelligence Association
- Digital Advertising Alliance
- Digital Media Association
- Direct Marketing Association
- Domain Name Association
- Downtown Seattle Association
- Electronic Transactions Association
- Family Online Safety Institute
- Financial Innovation Now
- Future of Privacy Forum
- Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce
- Industry Consortium for the Advancement of Security on the Internet
- Information Technology and Innovation Foundation
- Internet Association
- Internet Coalition
- Internet Education Foundation
- Internet Infrastructure Association
- Internet Society
- Laboratory Products Association
- The Media Coalition
- National Conference of State Legislatures
- National Consumers' League
- National Foreign Trade Council
- National Governors Association
- The Ripon Society
- Seattle Chamber of Commerce
- Small UAV Coalition

- State Privacy and Security Coalition
- Technology Alliance
- Technology Policy Institute
- United for Patent Reform
- US Chamber of Commerce
- US Chamber of Commerce Litigation Center
- US-India Business Council